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HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the establishment of a National Public Health Advisory Board and State Public Health Regulatory Authority has been suggested by the health and human rights experts to regulate health care services in the country;

(b) if so, the salient features of the scheme;

(c) whether the Government have considered this suggestion; and

(d) the time by which the final decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) to (d) Establishment of a National Public Health Advisory Board as well as a State Public Health Regulatory Authority in each of the States to regulate public health practices and monitor implementation of public health programmes was contained as a part of the recommendations of a Regional Consultation on Public Health and Human Rights organised by National Human Rights Commission in partnership with Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.However, there is no proposal, at present, for setting up such Advisory Boards.